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Art Unit	1713
Examiner Name	F. Zitomer
Attorney Docket Number	9427C

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NOTES/COMMENTS:

Dear Examiner Zitomer,

I am herein FAXing the papers we discussed Friday, 25 July 2003. Please introduce these into the file as suggested. Do not hesitate to call if there should be any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Following the Decision on Appeal mailed March 28, 2003 please amend this application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 17-19.

Add new claims 20-24.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.